

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

- [77] Computer systems and methods allow users to receive, save, access, and/or display handwritten information as electronic ink in objects managed by an operating system and/or that are accessible by the operating system. Such systems and methods may allow the operating system to receive, save, access, and/or display electronic ink file names, author identifiers, keywords or comments, and the like. Some examples of such systems and methods include: (a) receiving electronic ink data associated with a document or file; (b) storing the electronic ink data; and (c) providing operating system access to the stored electronic ink data. Then, whenever the file name (or other information) is displayed in an object managed by the operating system, it will be displayed in electronic ink format. Additionally, aspects of the invention relate to computer-readable media including instructions stored thereon for performing the methods and operating the systems described above.